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1. IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO INFORM THE GOB OF INTENTION SEPARATE MG KENDALL'S DUAL-HATTED BILLET. THE CLOSE WORKING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWEO DELEGATIONS IN JBUSMC WOULD INEVITABLY LEAD TO BRAZILIAN DISCOVERY OF THE CHANGE IN ANY CASE. NATURE OF THE CHANGE AND THE MANNER IN WHICH IT IS CARRIED OUT COULD CREATE SERIOUS MISUNDERSTANDING IN THE BRAZILIAN ARMED FORCES MINISTRIES. SINCE THE MILGP ORGANIZATION IS NOT A GOB-APPROVED ENTITY NOR RECOGNIZED AS EXECUTING THE SECURITY ASSISTANCE ROLE, AND SINCE BRAZILIANS LOOK TO USDEL JBUSMC TO PERFORM THE SECURITY ASSISTANCE FUNCTION IN ITS MAAG ROLE. FOR US, THEKEY ELEMENT OF THE CHANGE, INSOFAR AS AVOIDING DIFFICULTIES WITHOUT BRAZILIAN HOSTS IS CONCERNED, WILL BE THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE CHIEF, USDEL JBUSMC, AND COMUSMILGP. REQUEST ADVICE ASAP ON WHAT CONTROL/ COORDINATION/SUPERVISION RELATIONSHIP IS CONTEMPLATED FOR THESE POSITIONS, SO THAT WE CAN ASSESS THE FULL IMPORT OF THE ITENDED CHANGE.

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